

**FACTSHEET  
VOTER REGISTRATION**

**WHO IS QUALIFIED TO REGISTER TO VOTE?**

Pursuant to the *Constitution of the State of Hawaii*, Article II, Section 1, a voter registration applicant must meet the following qualifications:

**1. A citizen of the United States**

Individuals from Guam, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands and the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands are considered U.S. citizens. Individuals from American Samoa are considered U.S. nationals and **NOT** qualified to vote (unless they are natural born or naturalized U.S. citizens).

**2. A resident of the State of Hawaii**

For voter registration and election purposes, a resident must maintain a residence address in the State of Hawaii and intend to make Hawaii their permanent residence.

**3. At least eighteen years of age**

Pre-registration is allowed at age 16. You must be 18 years old by election day to vote.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINES**

Primary Election: August 19, 2004

General Election: October 4, 2004

## **PRE-REGISTRATION**

*Hawaii Revised Statutes* (HRS) §11-12 allows an individual who is otherwise qualified to register and is at least sixteen years of age, to pre-register upon satisfactory proof of age and be automatically registered upon reaching age eighteen.

## **RE-REGISTRATION**

You must re-register if you have . . .

- legally changed your name; or
- moved and your residency is a different location in the State of Hawaii since the last election.

## **OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS (OHA) REGISTRATION ELIGIBILITY**

In accordance with the U.S. Supreme court ruling in Rice v. Cayetano, all registered voters are also qualified to vote in OHA elections.

## **CLASS C FELONY**

Pursuant to HRS §19-3.5, a person knowingly providing false information on a voter registration affidavit may be guilty of a Class C felony, punishable by up to five (5) years imprisonment and/or \$10,000 fine.

This Factsheet is intended for informational purposes only and should not be used as an authority on the Hawaii election law and deadlines. Requirements and/or deadlines may change pending changes in legislation. Consult the Hawaii Revised Statutes and other sources for more detailed and accurate requirements.

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